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Date of Interview: 20 June 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 2.

Identification of prior art discussed: (APA) and US 4,552,456.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant agreed to incorporate the allowable limitations from claim 2 "a polarization controller that adjusts the polarization of the transmitted light that is outputted from the optical modulator such that the polarization monitor output becomes minimum; an optical fiber amplifier that amplifies the transmitted light which is outputted from the polarization controller; a polarization splitting coupler that splits the transmitted light which is amplified by the optical fiber amplifier to two linearly polarized components which are orthogonal to each other;" into claim 1. Which renders claim 1 allowable, and all the dependent claims.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Isam Alsomiri whose telephone number is 571-272-6970. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00.

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